

**Department of Transportation
Project No. 148-206
Rehabilitation of Bridge No. 03127
Harrison Road over Interstate 91
Town of Wallingford
Public Information Meeting**

**Wednesday, December 9, 2015, 7:00 p.m.
Wallingford Town Hall, Room 315
45 South Main Street
Wallingford, Connecticut**

Minutes

Present:

Theodore Nezames – Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT)
Rabih Barakat – CTDOT
Louis Bacho – CTDOT
Lesgie Ruiz – CTDOT
Michelle Miller – CTDOT
Robert Baltramaitis – Wallingford Town Engineer
Arthur DiCesare – A. DiCesare Associates
Casey Hardin – TranSystems
Robert Brickley – Close, Jensen and Miller, P.C.
17 Total Attendees

Presentation:

An introduction to the project was delivered by Ms. Lesgie Ruiz from CTDOT. The designer, Mr. Arthur DiCesare, then provided a summary of the existing condition and outlined the proposed rehabilitation scheme. The following items were included:

- The purpose and need is to address the deteriorated condition of the steel superstructure.
- The existing bridge footprint will be maintained.
- Repairs will be made to the steel superstructure where required and the beams will be completely repainted.
- The wearing surface will be removed to allow partial and full depth patches of the concrete deck. A new overlay and waterproofing membrane will be provided.
- The deck ends will be repaired.
- New joints will be installed.
- Bridge transitions will be upgraded.
- Construction will be performed in two stages while maintaining one lane of alternating one-way traffic controlled by temporary signalization on Harrison Road.
- Driveway access to adjacent properties will be maintained throughout construction.
- Pedestrian traffic will be maintained throughout construction.
- No Rights-of-Way impacts are currently anticipated.
- The rehabilitation is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2017 and last a full construction season. The estimated construction cost \$4,400,000.

Public Comments and Questions:

A town resident, whose property abuts the construction site, inquired about whether any easements are anticipated. Follow-up questions centered around: temporary signal locations, general utility impacts, air quality monitoring, construction equipment/vehicle parking, and construction hours of operation.

CTDOT stated that no Rights-of-Way impacts are currently anticipated. Temporary Harrison Road signals will likely be trailer mounted so they will not impact any aerial facilities or utility poles. A dedicated signal face for the resident's driveway will be provided to allow egress during construction. No new or relocated utility poles are proposed as a result of construction. CTDOT stated that construction equipment/vehicles shall not block pedestrian access across the structure. CTDOT also assured all in attendance that the air quality would be monitored during painting operations and throughout construction.

A gentleman representing the water company also noted the bridge carries a recently upgraded water main.

CTDOT was aware of the water main being carried in the northernmost bay and ensured that it would be adequately protected during construction.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.